Information

The Education Professional Standards Board, working with the Council on Postsecondary Education and the Kentucky Virtual University, is creating a Web site for Kentucky teachers and administrators. The EPSB has invited partners to join the KyEducators.org Advisory Council that oversees the quality and content of this project. Teachers, administrators, and teacher educators, along with Kentucky Department of Education and Kentucky Education Association representatives, meet regularly to review progress and provide advice for Web site development.

Initially, KyEducators.org will feature the following instructional modules:

- <u>Kentucky Teacher Internship Program (KTIP) Committee Training</u>: Comprehensive, interactive preparation for KTIP committee members who evaluate teacher interns.
- <u>Building Your Plan: Phase One of the Continuing Education Option (CEO)</u>: Step-by-step sessions designed to support teachers seeking rank change or certification renewal through the CEO.
- <u>New-to-Kentucky Teachers</u>: Essential Kentucky-specific information for teachers new to our state providing concise, clear answers to questions on topics such as Kentucky Core Content and the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System.
- <u>Accommodations for Learners with Special Needs in General Education Classrooms</u>: Best-practice strategies to support teachers in meeting the needs of exceptional learners.
- <u>Classroom Leadership</u>: Effective strategies for creating and implementing successful relationships with students from pre-school through high school.
- <u>Orientation for Substitute Teachers</u>: Online preparation for substitutes addressing key needs, such as classroom procedures, professionalism, and behavior management.
- <u>PRAXIS II Test Preparation</u>: Test-taking strategies, as well as sample questions on test content.
- <u>Assessments</u>: Site-based access to the Kentucky Principal Test, the Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education Test, and other assessments through a secure online module.

KyEducators.org will be ready for use in March. Candidates for principalships will be able to register online, access practice tests, and use an updated study guide in late March. Following pilot testing, teachers and other administrators will be able to access all modules by June 30. Each of the modules will include teachers' personal accounts of their experiences.